वाणिज्यिक आधार पर "उपग्रह से प्रसारण हेतु समय" का किराये पर लिया जाना

2612. श्री राम जेठमलानी : क्या प्रधान मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या यह सच है कि देश में भविष्य में विभिन्न सेवाओं में उपयोग किये जाने हेतु दूसरे देशों से वाणिज्यिक आधार पर "उपग्रह से प्रसारण हेतु समय" किराये पर लिये जाने के प्रयत्न किये जा रहे हैं ;

(ख) यदि हां, तो लिये जाने वाले प्रस्तावित समय की अवधिता क्या होगी ;

(ग) क्या इस अवधि के लिए "उपग्रह से प्रसारण हेतु समय" लेने के लिये विश्व बाजार में बहुत भारी रकम खर्च करनी पड़ेगी ; और

(घ) यदि हां, तो इस पर कितना व्यय किये जाने का अनुमान है ?

विज्ञान और प्राद्योगिकी मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री तथा महासागर विकास, परमाणु ऊर्जा, इलेक्ट्रानिकी और अन्तरिक्ष विभागों में राज्य मंत्री (श्री के० आर० नारायणन) : (क) जी, हां ।

(ख) सरकार उपग्रह प्रेषानुकर क्षमता को कुल चार वर्षों की अवधि के लिये लीज पर लेने की सम्भावनाओं का पता लगा रही है ।

(ग) लीज पर अने वाला खर्च, लीज उपलब्ध कराने वाले उपग्रह और लीज की किस्म पर निर्भर है और यह खर्च प्रति प्रेषानुकर 860,000 से 1.7 मिलियन अमरीकी डालर वार्षिक हो सकता है ।

(घ) अन्य उपग्रह प्रणाली के आपरेटरों से वाणिज्यिक आधार पर प्रेषानुकरों को लीज पर लेने की सम्भावनाओं के संबंध में अभी विचार-विमर्श किया जा रहा है और इस पर किया जाने वाला अनुमानित व्यय, लीज की प्रवृत्ति और अवधि पर निर्भर करता है ।

Appointment of lab. assistant in Rajkumari Amrit Kaur Nursing Mahavidyalaya

2613. SHRI PRAMOD MAHAJAN: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that an irregular and improper appointment for the post of Lab. Assistant was made by the Vice-Principal of the Rajkumari Amrit Kaur Nursing Mahavidyalaya, New Delhi in the year 1977, without giving any advertisement in newspapers or calling names of suitable candidates through the Employment Exchange; and

(b) if so, what are the details in this regard and ths remedial measures taken in the matter.

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI RAFIQUE ALAM): (a) and (b) The Recruitment Rules for tht post of Laboratory Assistant did not exist in 1977 as these posts were created a few months earlier on the basis of Internal Work Study Unit report. The person appointed to the post of Laboratory Assistant in 1977 was already in Government Service. His application for the post of Laboratory Assistant was received through proper channel. He fulfilled all the requirements for appointed as Laboratory Assistant. The person concerned was selected for the post by a duly constituted Selection Committee.

Setting up of two nuclear power stations given by the Soviet Union

2614. SHRI KAPIL VERMA:
SHRIMATI VEENA VERMA:
SHRIMATI SATYA BAHIN:

Will tht PRIME MINISTER be pleasd to state:

(a) what progress has been made in the plans for generation of nuclear power;

(b) what progress has been made in the setting up of the two nuclear power plants, being given by the Soviet Union; and

(c) by when these are likely to be commissioned?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF OCEAN DEVELOPMENT, ATOMIC ENERGY, ELECTRONICS AND SPACE (SHRI K. R. NARAYANAN): (a) The present installed capacity of nuclear power in the country is 1230 MWe from the six units in operation. The first unit of Narora Atomic Power Project of 235 MWe has been recently synchronised to the Northern Grid. Seven 235 MWe units with an aggregate capacity of 1645 MWe are in various stages of construction at Narora, Kakrapar, Kaiga and Rawatbhatta. A decision has been taken by the Government to locate additional four 235 MWe units and six 500 MWe units. Action on advance procurement of long delivery equipment and obtaining project financial sanctions for these reactors is in progress. With this, the nuclear power capacity would increase to 7050 MWe. In addition, a decision has also been taken to set up two 1000 MWe units of VVER type in co-operation with the Soviet Union.

(b) and (c) An Inter-Governmental agreement between Soviet Union and India was signed on 20th November, 1988. The terms of reference for preparation of Detailed Project Report (DPR) are being finalised jointly by Soviet Union and India. Detailed site investigations are continuing. Preliminary activities for land acquisition and setting up of site infrastructure are in progress. Construction work is expected to commence in 1992. The first unit is expected to be commissioned in 1998 and the second unit one year thereafter.

International Conference on Plant Biotechnology

2615. SHRI PAWAN KUMAR BANSAL: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether any Indian participated in the International Conference on Plant Biotechnology, held recently in USA;

(b) if so, the details thereof including their names, qualifications and the institutions represented by them; and

(c) the authority sponsoring them and bearing their expenses and the total expenditure so incurred?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF OCEAN DEVELOPMENT, ATOMIC ENERGY, ELECTRONICS AND SPACE (SHRI K. R. NARAYANAN): (a) to (c) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

Post of Director, National Institute of Communicable Diseases, Delhi

2616. SHRI VIRENDRA VERMA: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the post of Director, National Institute of Communicable Diseases, Delhi, a public health sub-cadre post under the Directorate General of Health Services, has not been filled up on regular basis for more than a year and that the present incumbent does not possess any Public Health qualifications;

(b) if so, whether concurrence of the CHS Cadre-controlling authority has been obtained to change the recruitment rules, for filling up the post by a non-public health person;

(c) whether the Union Public Service Commission has agreed to fill up the post by a person other than the non-public health person, without change in the recruitment rules; and

(d) if so, what steps have been taken by Government to fill up the post in a regular capacity, by a qualified public health person?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI RAFIQUE